



PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Application No.: 10/658,274 **Examiner:** T.T. Snyder
Filing Date: September 10, 2003 **Art Unit:** 1744
First Inventor: Chih-Kao Hsu **Customer No.:** 23364
Attorney No.: HSUC3039/JJC/PMB **Confirm. No.:** 4028
For: **HAND-HELD VACUUM CLEANER INCLUDING A BUILT-IN HOSE AND AN ADJUSTABLE WIDTH NOZZLE (As Amended)**

REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION
OF APRIL 12, 2006

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is responsive to the Office Action dated April 12, 2006 in the above application wherein claims 1-24 are rejected.

A substitute specification is concurrently filed herewith. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.125(b), the substitute specification contains no new matter.

A supplemental application data sheet is also concurrently filed herewith.

In view of the following amendments and remarks, reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

A petition to extend the period of reply by one month is concurrently filed.